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OPERATION

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-1.98, and further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed on November 30, 2006 and July 28, 2008, Applicant hereby directs the Examiner's attention to the following document cited in the Chinese Office Action, dated February 6, 2009, conducted in the Chinese Application No. 200580003480.6, which is a counterpart of the above-captioned application:

- 1) Hui-yu, T. et al., Acad. J. PLA Postgrad Med. School, (2002) 23(1) pages 53-56; and
- 2) English Translation of relevant portions of Hui-yu, T. et al., Acad. J. PLA Postgrad Med. School, (2002) 23(1) pages 53-56.

Copies of the enumerated documents are enclosed together with a completed copy of the Form PTO-1449 listing this document. Applicant submits herewith the Chinese Office Action and an English translation of the relevant portions.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above-identified documents and to make the documents of record in the instant application.

Applicant encloses a duly completed Form PTO-1449 and copies of the cited information.

Applicant requests the Examiner to make all above enumerated documents of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the attached Form PTO-1449.

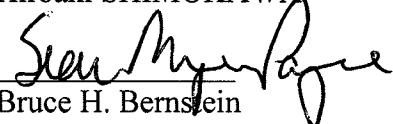
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. If the Examiner needs additional copies of any of the documents, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Citation of any document herein shall not be construed as: (1) an admission that the document is necessarily prior art with respect to the instant invention; (2) a representation that a search has been made; or (3) an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability in any way, including that as defined in §1.56(b).

Applicant notes that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance. Applicant hereby certifies that no item of information in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (e)(1). Thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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